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CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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OPTIMUM UTILISATION PROGRAMME FOR AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have finalized optimum utilization programme for National and International airports in India;

(b) if so, whether Mumbai Airport is on top priority;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the aircraft have to wait for 15-30 minutes for take off and landing at Mumbai Airport; and

(e) if so, the remedial steps contemplated by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a) to (e):- Airports Authority of India (AAI) has takenup a study with the help of International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO)for optimum utilization of air traffic capacity at Mumbai and Delhi Airports. Modernized air traffic services have been commissioned at Mumbai airport, as a result of which the air traffic handling capacity has been enhanced to 30 flights per hour. This has improved the flight handling capacity, though at times certain present constraints of runway and taxiways, can lead to queuing up of aircraft.